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A what? A peacock?

A peacock has been spotted in a backyard in Minden

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Jenn Watt Times staff

Naiomi Bainbridge taps out a beat by the Gull River at the It Takes a Community fundraiser Saturday morning. See story and more photos on page 14.

Tourism boon predicted

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Haliburton County's economic development director says the province's new regional tourism organizations (RTOs) program should prove a boon for the county.

Bob Smith, along with county tourism and marketing coordinator Amy Brohm, attended a meeting of the transition board for RTO 11, of which the county is part, on July 14 and 15.

Facilitated by the Queen's University Executive Decision Centre, the meeting brought together representatives from the eight regions that comprise RTO 11 and was a chance to talk about what the new organization would look like and how it would go about promoting the area, which stretches east from the county towards Ottawa.

"Going in, you didn't know what to expect," Smith said in a phone interview earlier this week. "Is Haliburton County going to be forgotten?"

Once discussions began, it was clear that the county's interests were not going to be sidelined in any way, he said.

Discussions, which, along with county staff, included reps from the Ottawa Valley Tourist Association, the Bancroft and Area Chamber of Commerce, Comfort Country Tourism, Lanark County Tourism, Land O' Lakes Tourist Association, Rideau Heritage Route

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Jazz Kitchen plays the Golden Slipper

Jazz Kitchen is set to make a stunning stage debut in Act 2 of *The Golden Slipper* on Aug. 11, 12, 18, 19 at 7 p.m. and Aug. 15 at 2 p.m. Under the Big Top at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

Hugh Taylor as Hap Holiday, Irene Merritt as Dora, his lovely wife, are supported by the Holideers, David Brusegard on guitar and Graham Bowker on stand-up bass. The band leads the two young couples to dancing and romancing at the famous night club on Lake Kashawigamog.

The band brings some great hits of the mid-'30s to sparkling life, including "What a Difference a Day Makes," "The Very Thought of You", "For All We Know" and a rollicking finale "I Get A Kick Out of You."

Karen Sloan has designed a wildly avant garde backdrop to set the Thirties tone.

Tickets are available at Rails End Gallery, the Hilltop Market, Organic Times and the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. Purchase with VISA or Mastercard by phoning 286-3763.

Correction

An article in last week's *Times* reported that the opera master classes in Minden were being adjudicated by a man named John Foster. The man's name is John Fisher.

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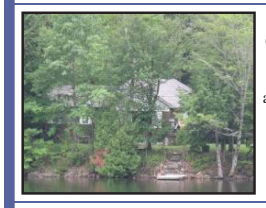
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Aaron King is the writer and star of *Radio Nowhere*, a one-man play that debuts at the Minden Fringe festival this weekend.

Chad Ingram
Times staff

King takes one-man show to Fringe stage

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Aaron King's new play uses quantum physics to tell the story of a science student and a musician falling out of love and re-examining their lives along the way.

Radio Nowhere, a one-man show written by and starring King, will debut at the Minden Fringe festival at the Wintergreen Pancake Barn in Gelert the night of Aug. 14.

It's the second play King, 21, has written for the Fringe festival.

His first, *Ephemeral Things*, showed at the first festival in 2008.

Life Without Principle, King's second play, showed at another festival that summer.

Radio Nowhere is his first one-man work, but King said he feels no added pressure about appearing on stage alone.

"I don't think there's any more apprehension about being on stage by yourself than there is being with other people," King said last week, adding that he always feels some degree of stage fright.

However, once he immerses himself in character, any nervousness, along with most of his other senses, seem to fade.

"I simply get into it and do whatever I need to do," he said of performing. "I can't even tell if it went well."

King's relationship with the theatre began five years ago when he began volunteering with the Highlands Summer Festival, working backstage doing things like arranging props.

After a few summers, he couldn't resist the call to start writing and performing his own plays.

"This is going to sound arrogant, but it was probably just that I felt I could do better," he said. "Certainly nothing against those plays."

King said he's attracted to writing and performing in his own plays because it's an art form that he has complete control over, from conception to execution.

King, who is also playing in Michael Fay's *The Golden Slipper* as part of Minden Culture Fest, will be taking his love for storytelling in a new direction in the fall as he begins his first year of study at Toronto's Max the Mutt Animation School, studying illustration for comic books and graphic novels.

"It's just another form of storytelling," he said.

King, who is working at Haliburton's Rails End Gallery for the summer, said he hopes to be part of the Minden's Fringe festival again in the future.

"I am really grateful that there is such a thing as the Minden Fringe," he said. "It allows theatre to become more personal. I think it's important to take risks like that."

Radio Nowhere plays Saturday at Wintergreen and Aug. 20 under the big top at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

From Here to There and Back Again, by Fay Wilkinson and Jim Blake, also known as The Creative Cocoon Storytellers, plays at Wintergreen on Aug. 20 and under the big top Aug. 21.

And the World Was Was written by Marci Mandel and will be performed by Brigitte Gall at Wintergreen on Aug. 21 and under the big top on Aug. 27.

The Edge – Stories of Courage and Fear will be performed by the Highlands Community Playback Theatre Troupe at Wintergreen on Aug. 214 and under the big top on Aug. 27.

All shows begin at 7 p.m.

For tickets call Wintergreen at 286-3202 or the cultural centre at 286-3763.



Abbey North Drummers performed in the first year of Minden Fringe. File photo



Former Fringe actors Sarah Delroy and Ryan Dawson perform at Wintergreen in 2008. File photo



Chad Ingram Times staff

Joan McNab, left, and Catherine Nutt were dressed up in pioneer costumes fashioned by seamstress Wendy Alguire at Art in the Village at the cultural centre last week.

Art in the Village



Kim Warne, seen here carving a bear out of wood, was one of 25 artists on hand.



Anne-Marie Warden was working on some embroidery outside Bowron House.



The Haliburton Highlands Jazz Combo was one of the musical groups who entertained a crowd at the Minden Rotary Club's annual Art in the Village event at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre last week. The event raised funds for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation and Minden's new playground and tennis court upgrades.



A wildlife carver sits at his booth while visitors mill about during the Art in the Village



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Farmers' market extends season

The Haliburton County farmers' market is pleased to extend the market four additional weeks, in response to widespread interest in an extended market that reflects the abundance of produce available in the late summer and early fall.

Sue and Ed Yallop, owners of That Place in Carnarvon, have generously supported the decision as have local business owners Brad and Cathy of Northland Marine who provide parking to the market vendors.

This is the market's first year at the Carnarvon location after its inaugural season in the village of Haliburton.

Feedback has been overwhelmingly positive regarding the market location, operation and variety of vendors and products.

At the extended market customers can expect to enjoy a variety of seasonal produce, preserves, baked goods and artisan crafts.

A "harvest market" is planned for the final day of Friday

The Highlands Brass Academy play a concert in the band shell in Head Lake Park in Haliburton. /File photo

Highlands Brass Academy founder enthusiastic about future

By Mark Arkell, marketing associate, Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands

into the mix.

"We've got more teachers this year," said Dan Manley, founder of the not-for-profit organization. "This year we

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Peacock wanders into neighbourhood

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Georgina Parkes was surprised to find a peacock in her backyard recently.

Parkes was looking out at the yard of her Reynolds Road home on Sunday, Aug. 1, when she saw the colourful creature.

"I thought, 'That's a peacock!'" she recalled. "He was just sort of walking around back there."

A number of days passed and Parkes's feathered friend continued to stick around.

She called the Ministry of Natural Resources and was told they would check with people known to keep exotic pets to see if any of them were missing a peacock.

Late last week she called Canoe FM, reporting the found peacock to the station's pet detective segment, which helps reunite missing pets with their owners.

"They were quite surprised about the peacock," she said, laughing.

A missing peacock is of course an unusual occurrence in Haliburton County and Parkes said not an hour after the segment had run the station received a phone call from the bird's owner.



Minden resident, Georgina Parkes, saw the strangest bird in her yard last week. It turns out that it belongs to neighbour Matt Wesley. /Submitted photo

Turns out Matt Wesley recently moved into a farm on Reynolds Road and said on the Saturday of the long weekend his newly acquired peacock made a break from the barn.

"It left a peacock-shaped hole in the window," Wesley said.

Wesley said the peacock had been a Mother's Day gift for his wife and had been with the family for such a short time it did not yet have a name.

Wesley has been to Parkes's house a number of times and attempted to take the bird home, but has so far been unsuccessful.

"I can get maybe within 10 feet . . . a little too far for the net," he explained.

"The peacock runs faster than [Wesley] does," Parkes said.

Wesley said he has been using corn to try and lure the bird and said he is thinking about approaching the MNR about borrowing equipment that would allow him to take his peacock home, or asking Parkes if she wouldn't mind if he staked out in her yard beneath a birdseed-covered tarp.

For now, the peacock seems quite at home in Parkes's yard.

"Our darling peacock keeps flying up into the tree so we can't get him," she said.

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Go out and take in some culture

IT'S MID-AUGUST and Minden's cultural season is heating up.

This week is the start of CultureFest 2010, which includes events at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre and the Wintergreen Pancake Barn in Gelert.

It's no secret this area is home to a number of talented writers, artists, musicians and actors and the next two weeks will provide an opportunity to take in some of this talent.



Chad Ingram
Reporter

The Golden Slipper, a play by Michael Fay and produced by the Conjurors of County Town debuts tonight under the big top at the cultural centre and will also play Aug. 12, 18 and 19.

The R.D. Lawrence Literary Festival runs Aug. 13 and 14 at the centre and will feature talks and workshops by six award-winning Canadian authors as well as local talent and an opportunity for local authors to sell and read their work.

The Minden Fringe festival runs from Aug. 14 though Aug. 27 and includes a number of theatrical works written and performed by mostly local writers and actors.

There will also be performances by the Highlands Brass Academy and the Jake Wilkinson Quintet on Aug. 14 and Aug. 28, respectively.

So, dear readers, why not do yourself and your community a favour and go out tonight, this weekend or in the upcoming two weeks and take in some of these shows?

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Roaring tiger lilies

Jenn Watt editor

letters to the editor

Coyote slaughter better than wolves

To the Editor,

The eastern wolf was designated as a species of special concern under the Federal and Ontario Governments Species at Risk Acts in 2001. Ontario has 190 species at risk. The coyote, canis latrans , is not at risk.

On March 31, 2010, Ministry of Natural Resources' research scientist Brent Patterson gave a presentation on the eastern wolf (and coyotes). Some of the information given included:

• Wolves in Algonquin Park are, in general, not inter-breeding with coyotes.

• The buffer zone around Algonquin Park is a great success. Interestingly, mortality rates are down, but Algonquin Park populations are stable, so there is likely a fair amount of dispersal going on.

• Since July 10, 2005, it has been mandatory to report all wolves killed regardless of the method and reason. Every hunter who wants to shoot wolves must purchase a special wolf seal.

I find it very curious, and mysterious, that the "wolf slaughter" has now been designated an "eastern coyote slaughter" by the Ministry of Natural Resources, according to the press release dated July 22, 2010. How convenient, and how lucky for R. Shayne McKelvey, that he slaughtered eight coyotes and not eight eastern wolves, who just happen to be a "species of concern" under the Federal and Ontario Governments Species at Risk Acts. I also wonder why the court date of July 15, 2010 was not made public? ALL the natural resources of Ontario are a concern to the public at large.

I also find it interestng that the $1,000 plea agreement was given to an organization like the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, instead of a organization like the Haliburton Land Trust Species at Risk Project, Canadian Wolf Coalition, Eastern Wolf Campaign, Earthroots Wilderness Defenders, or Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society, Green Wolf of Canada, or Canadian Wolf Defenders.

I hope the MNR will make public the data on these eight animals:

DNA, weight, height, length, fur condition, age, sex, parasites and how each animal was killed (bullet, snare, trap, poison, chase exhaustion from ATV).

It is important for the public to understand how and why the MNR came to the conclusions that were in the press release.

The mystery continues!

Sharon Lawrence
Minden

points of view

Taking it to extremes

I WAS SURFING the Internet the other day when I spied photos of a man diving off of a 30-metre cliff into a sea that has all sorts of jagged rocks sticking out of it and, according to the caption, a very strong undertow. The story below the photo described this as a yet another new extreme sport – this one appropriately called tombstoning. This is a little different from the name we used in the old days for this sort of activity – back then it was called attempted suicide.

Maybe I'm just too old to understand the concept of extreme sports but it seems to me that they are getting out of hand. The idea, it seems, is to find something incredibly dangerous – some trick or feat that could easily leave you dead or maimed – and then do it, repeatedly, adding new danger to it with every attempt.

Why? I'm told because it gives you a rush and a feeling that you defied death.

Of course, this is nothing new. We had extreme sports when I was younger too. We just never knew they were extreme.



Steve Galea
Beyond 35

As I recall it, one of the most dangerous was called talking back to dad. This, of course, was not for the faint of heart. But, if you got away with it, you'd experience a sense of exhilaration and this feeling of just being happy to be alive– even as you were sleeping that evening in the dark with one eye open.

I remember several times we played another extreme sport called "What happened to the handlebars?" Generally, this happened after a friend and I would work on our bicycles to customize them in order to impress some girl. Most times this would mean adding a high set of long handlebars to our bikes in a blatant attempt to look like easy riders.

We'd then be cycling past the fair maiden's house when we'd decide to pull wheelies in unison. Nothing, of course, would look cooler, we reasoned. Except maybe leaning back on the back and coming up with just handle bars that hadn't been tightened in enough. I still remember looking at each other and starting that long, uncontrolled scream.

The accompanying excitement as we crested that long hill with our bikes beneath us and steering mechanisms disconnected and in our hands was extreme to say the least. And it got better as we picked up momentum and did our best to become hood ornaments for the oncoming traffic.

This was followed by a sport that might now be called extreme underwear change – or extreme fetal position.

The point is that we had extreme sports too. We just didn't go on about them, because invariably this meant that our parents would talk to our family doctor who would then recommend a child psychologist or a frontal lobotomy.

The former wasn't too bad because they allowed you to punch bags and express your anger and resentment towards handlebars, hills and oncoming traffic. The lobotomy was far more extreme however. It would cause a person to do stupid things like jump off 30 metre cliffs into water with jagged rocks and dangerous undertows.

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R.R. Nowhere

IF SOME of Haliburton's native sons and daughters seem a little discombobulated these days, it's no wonder.

The post office and the telephone company have pulled the rug out from under them.

Folks who have always got their mail at RR 3 and found their neighbours' numbers in the Haliburton pages of the phone book have lost two anchors of their lives in a matter of weeks.

No matter how trivial the changes and how much (or how little) administrative sense they make, their lives have lost two certainties.

And when Russ Wunker sends out 600 or so change-of-address notices to tell his guests that the mailing address for Miners Bay Lodge now is Minden instead of Norland, his clients must wonder how he moved his buildings.

The inconvenience of change isn't a sufficient argument against it, but the alterations in the phone book are more difficult to rationalize.

If you are one of the majority of customers who look for phone numbers on the Internet, you may not have noticed the overhaul of the big old *Yellow Pages* phone book.

The old book once encompassed Peterborough, Campbellford and Lindsay, but now there are three books. We get only the Lindsay version and we have to dial 411 and pay the phone company for an Omemee listing that was there for free in last year's white pages.

More confusing still, evidently we all now live in Lindsay. Instead of sorting us out by community, the new book leaves our listings just the way they arrived from the Bell Canada computer, Bobcaygeon and Haliburton and Sunderland all jumbled together.



Neil Campbell
Back of Beyond

The postal changes are meant to bring home addresses into line with municipal boundaries. On Monday, everybody on the Minden Hills side of our township lines starts getting their mail from Minden.

Minden will serve folks whose mail came to Norland addresses via Coboconk, to Snowdon Township from Kinmount or to Lochlin from Haliburton village.

On the other hand, if you live in old Stanhope Township, your address becomes Algonquin Highlands instead of Minden, though your mail still comes from Minden.

More confusion still: If you live in the northern part of the Township of Algonquin Highlands, where there never was rural delivery, you will still go to Dorset to pick up your mail.

With all of its new territory, Minden will have five rural routes instead of three, though they will no longer be part of your mailing address.

Once our part of Haliburton County was awash in mailing addresses. There were post offices called Allsaw, Blairhampton, Boskung, Buller, Buttermilk Falls, Carnarvon, Devil's Creek (later Irondale), Donald, Elsie, Furnace Falls, Gelert, Halls Lake, Hindon Hill, Ingoldsby, Kilcoo Camp, Little Hawk Lake, Lochlin, Lutterworth, Mill Hill (later Maple Lake), Miners Bay, Moores Falls, Oxtongue Lake, Peterson, Peterson's Corners, Pine Springs, Stanhope and Winston (Beech Lake).

That list may be incomplete; the spellings are from the sources. Change always has been late arriving in Haliburton County. This was one of the last parts of southern Ontario to get the 911 addressing system and the postal reorganization had to follow that.

We have been at the back of the queue forever. Haliburton farmers still had to pick up their mail at the post office 30 years after most of the rest of the country was on the Rural Route (RR) system.

Though the Laurier government introduced free rural delivery in 1908, it didn't arrive here until 1939, according to a handwritten account in the Minden Post Office.

The first route took the mail to Elsie, Blairhampton, Allsaw and Ingoldsby. Ross Walker, who grew up on a farm near the Queen's Line, remembers that the mailman dropped off mail along the way to Hindon Hill in the early 1940s. There were bags at the end of laneways instead of mailboxes.

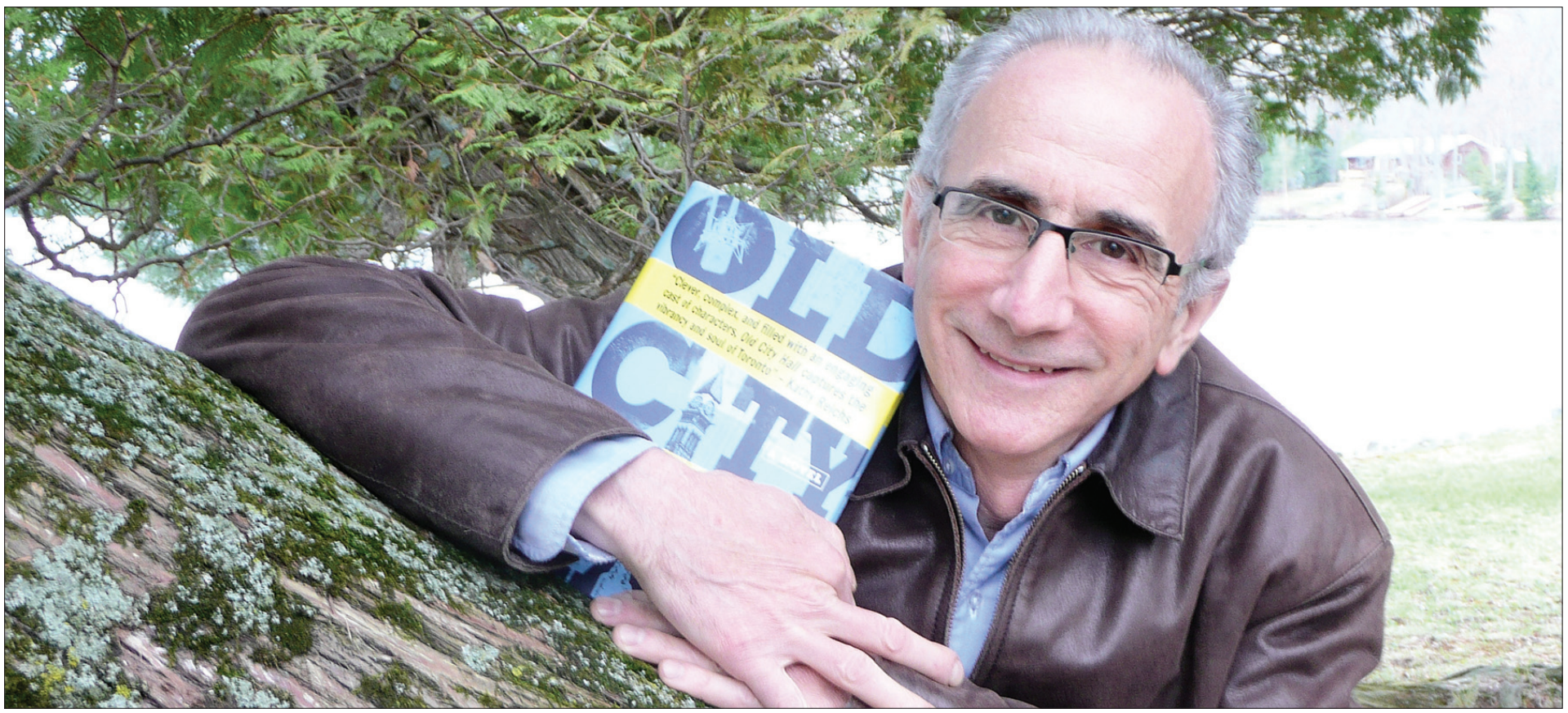
If you happened to live along the railway in Lochlin or Donald, the mail came five times a week but two or three times a week was the norm on our side of the county in those days.

Now there is no railway. No Hindon Hill. No RR in your address.

Neil and The Brown Dog Jiggs will be at Dorset Library at 1 p.m. next Wednesday, Aug. 18, so Neil can read from Cell Phones and Sap Buckets, *a collection of Neil's columns.*

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Email your letter to the editor to: editor@mindentimes.ca



Local cottager Robert Rotenberg, author of *Old City Hall*, loves the craft of writing and teaching and will be at the R.D. Lawrence Place Literary Festival on Aug. 13 and 14. /File photo

Rotenberg to hold writing workshop at literary festival

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Robert Rotenberg says he didn't want to become another lawyer writing books about lawyers, but seems to be dealing well with the success he's experiencing as a novelist.

His legal thriller *Old City Hall* was named by *Quill & Quire* magazine as one of the 15 best books of 2009, has been translated into nine languages and is being turned into a CTV mini-series.

Rotenberg, a criminal lawyer and former magazine editor, is one of six authors taking part in the R.D. Lawrence Place Literary Festival on Aug. 13 and 14.

"I always thought I was going to be a writer, but life got in the way," Rotenberg said in a phone interview earlier this week.

The dream of writing full time has nearly come to fruition for Rotenberg, who, while he still practises law, said he now spends 80 per cent of his time writing.

He is working on his third novel at his Haliburton County cottage this summer.

"I've been here half my life," Rotenberg said of the area, explaining he spent numerous summers at Camp White Pine as a child, rented cottages at the Domain of Killien and, for the past 19 years, has owned a cottage of his own.

Some scenes from *Old City Hall*, set in Toronto, actually unfold in the county.

Rotenberg, along with authors Ed Kay, Antanas Sileika, Betsy Struthers, Michelle Berry and Thomas Scott, will be giving readings and hosting workshops at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre Friday and Saturday.

Rotenberg said he actually has connections to Sileika and Berry, having taken a writing course by Sileika at Humber College in 2004 and a later correspondence program with Berry.

"Both of them are going to be there, which is exciting," he said.

What Rotenberg is most excited about though is the workshop he will be hosting from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

Rotenberg said the workshop will focus on "the first paragraph, the first sentence, the first word" of a book and is asking participants to bring a page of their work to the exercise.

"I love the craft of writing, as well as teaching," he said.

Rotenberg said he was honoured to be asked to partake in the festival and said it was important for Canadians to get excited about Canadian authors and their own writing.

For tickets and full scheduling information, call coordinator Sheryl Loucks at 286-2298.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 34(1) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001,S.O. 2001 c.25 as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on THURSDAY, AUGUST 26TH, 2010 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:-

1. File No. SRA-09-16

Applicant - NOBLE: Don

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Gull Lake, lying in front of Lot 21, Concession 8, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9169, registered July 28, 2010.

2. File No. SRA-10-07

Applicant - PRENTICE: Connie and Barry

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Moore Lake, lying in front of Lot 24, Concession 5, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 4 & 5 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9112, registered April 19, 2010.

3. File No. SRA-09-10

Applicant - STIRLING: Carolyn Marie

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Kashagawigamog Lake, lying in front of Lot 32, Concession 4, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9150, registered June 22, 2010.

4. File No. SRA-10-01

Applicant - ONONDAGA CAMP CO. LTD.

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Little Bob Lake, lying in front of Lot 13, Concession 12, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 3 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9118, registered May 5, 2010.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this 11th day of August, 2010.

Elinor Kernohan, AMCT, CMM, ACST

Planning Administrator

CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

Please be advised that the Township of Minden Hills has awarded the contract to Signature Contractors Windsor Inc. for the reconstruction of the sidewalks on Bobcaygeon Road (east side) and sidewalk and curb at Water Street (north side) to the start of the Riverwalk pathway. Work is expected to commence the week of August 16th, 2010. The Township is anxious to get this work completed in time for the start of school and ensure easier access for pedestrians to get to town. All business/property owners have been advised. Please adhere to all signage for your safety. Businesses and the Minden Hills Cultural Centre (all programming) will remain open and accessible during the construction process. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact L. Cunliffe at (705) 286-1260 ext 215.

Please be advised that the Minden Hills Cultural Centre (all programming, theatre, etc.), Molly's Bistro Bakery, Minden Family Dentistry, Highlands Accounting, Bwana Johns, Sears, Gina's Shear Talent, Minden Lion's Hall, The Fitness Room, Organic Times and the Northern Palms Deli will be "OPEN FOR BUSINESS" during construction of the Bobcaygeon Road sidewalks and access will be available.

Meetings and Events

Fridays in August
(7:00 p.m.) Music by the Gull

Tuesdays and Thursdays:
Zumba – Minden Community Centre 7:00 p.m., $5
August 11/12, 18/19 (evenings) and August 15th (matinee)
Golden Slipper – play at Cultural Centre
August 14th - Minden 150 Bike Tour
August 20th & 21st - County Fair, Minden Fairgrounds
August 26th - 9:00 a.m. Council

MINDEN HILLS
Cultural Centre

Canadian Landscape Juried Exhibition
July 27 - September 11, 2010 7pm in the common room
JURORS: Virginia Eichhorn, Rhona Wenger, Laurie Carmount
A call for submission was sent out in January to landscape artists in an attempt to rejuvenate this neglected genre yet essential part of Canadian culture. This exhibition takes a new approach to Canadian landscape. Divided into two categories, this exhibition revisits the aesthetic movement of traditional to the evolutionary non-traditional landscape work.

CultureFest August 2010
3 weeks of Live Theatre, Literary Readings, Jazz, Brass, Wine & Cuisine under the Big Top!
a. August 11, 12, 15, 18, 19: The Golden Slipper, outdoor historical theatre by the Conjurors of County Town
b. August 13 & 14 R.D. Lawrence Literary Festival
c. August 14, 7 pm Live Brass- Highlands Brass Academy

Culture Club - Summer
Twice weekly, August 2010
10 am - 4 pm
Attention parents and grandparents! Minden Hills Cultural Centre has it all for kids this Summer. Join ½ day programs, full day programs or get involved for the whole summer. Kids will explore art, the environment, literature and heritage with local professionals at our lovely interactive complex which includes the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, Minden Hills Museum and R.D. Lawrence Place. There's something in store for the Culture Vulture in every kid!

R.D. Lawrence Literary Festival
Aug 13 10am- 9 pm & Aug 14 10am-4pm
Mysteries, aliens, comedy, come and hear stories from six of Canada's finest writers. Friday features readings and question and answer periods followed by the Sunset Ceremony featuring live performances by Ryan Dawson, Chad Ingram and wordy sparring by our guest authors. Saturday, there will be a comedy writing workshop and a mystery writing workshop, followed by an Open Mic that will feature poets, songwriters, and authors of all genres. Local authors will be onsite during the festival selling their books. Festival passes are $20 or it is $5 to attend a single session. Please call 286-2298 to reserve tickets.

Great Green Garage Sale
September 11 10 am- 3:30 pm
A thrifty way to reuse and recycle, shop for environmental products, already loved books, assorted goods or turn your clutter into cash by signing on as a vendor. A fun day in celebration of R.D. Lawrence's birth date, join us for live music and food while supporting our archive project to preserve this iconic Canadian writer's legacy. Registration forms for vendors are on our website.
Check **www.mindenculturalcentre.com** for ticket prices, show times and wine reception times.

For more information on any of these events go to www.mindenculturalcentre.com or 705-286-2808

ROAD CLOSURES

Parkside Avenue will be closed as follows: Aug 11, 12, 18, 19 6pm - 9 pm and Aug 15, 1-4 pm road closure For the Golden Slipper Outdoor Theatre at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

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Sincerely, Reeve/Council

Township of Minden Hills

PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting will be held on Thursday, August 26th, 2010 at 9:00 A.M. In the Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street, Minden, to consider a by-law to amend the preamble to the tariff of fees & charges by-law for the various schedules. There are no changes proposed for any fees for services or programs.

Cheryl McCarroll, AMCT
Clerk
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VOTE BY MAIL

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community



Jenn Watt Times editor

Audrey Northey receives a certificate for 10 years with the Minden Horticultural Society from president Rose Paliwoda at the 31st annual flower show at the Minden Community Centre Aug. 6 and 7.

Best in show goes to newbie

Jenn Watt
Editor

It didn't take Vi Scott long to rise to the top.

On her first time entering the Minden and District Horticultural Society's annual flower show, Scott took the prize for best in show with her yellow and orange begonias.

"It was just luck," Scott said about her winning plant, but said she's been practising the art of horticulture for a while.

"I'll soon be 88, so you can imagine how many years I've been gardening," she said.

Scott was one of three gardeners to be highlighted by the professional judges at the show. The other two – Linda Pentney and Eric Broadhurst – were given "judges' choice" awards for their wildflower arrangement and lilies respectively.



Pauline Plooard won first place for her "garden good times" vegetable arrangement.

"It's my determination to beat the girls," Broadhurst said of his long struggle to attain the best in show moniker.

This year he came up just short.

"I didn't quite make it ... one of these days we'll have equality," he joked.

Entries to the 31st annual flower show were up from last year with 311 entries and 39 exhibitors in the regular category and 29 entries and 11 exhibitors in the junior (children's) category.

Besides winning judges' choice, Linda Pentney is also the co-chair of the show and said the high number of entries might have been due to increase in membership in the Minden and District Horticulture Society or the good growing conditions this summer.

"We never know year to year what the weather will do to us," Pentney said.

At the show's official opening, president Rose Paliwoda awarded two members with honours for their long-standing commitment to gardening.

Gwen Cox was given the lifetime achievement award.

Cox was part of the group that founded the Minden society in 1977 and is active in other community pursuits including the Legion and Minden Sneaker Day.

Audrey Northey was given a certificate for 10 years of membership with the horticultural society.

Along with Pentney, Karen Rainy co-chaired the committee and will be taking over next year's show.

Viewers' choice prizes went to: first, Elizabeth Carrell for her wedding cake for Tatania, queen of the fairies; second, Gwen Turner for her very large wedding cake; and third, Anna Holloway for her birthday cake covered in roses.



Spectators check out the colourfiul displays.



The tiger lily display was especially vibrant.



Gwen Cox, left, one of the founding members of the Minden and District Horticultural Society, is given the lifetime achievement award by president Rose Paliwoda. Co-chair of the show, Linda Pentney, celebrates with them.



Eric Broadhurst celebrates his "judges' choice" win for his lilies at the at the 31st annual flower show at the Minden Community Centre with his wife, Minnie, and Denise Ballantyne.



Many came out Friday evening to the opening of the 31st annual flower show at the Minden Community Centre Aug. 6 and 7.



Vi Scott was awarded "best in show" for her begonias. It was the first time she had entered the competition.



Rose Paliwoda's tea rose won second prize.



Jessie Provenzano-Geall won first place for her miniature arrangement in the category "pot of gold".



Darren Lum Times staff

Professional consultant John Fisher, who is a general director of the Welsh National Opera, gives demonstrable direction in voice control to master class participant John Conlon.

Class act

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Lovers of opera were treated to a collection of talented singers, who are participants of the Highlands Opera Studio, during three days of master classes adjudicated by professional consultant and the general director of the Welsh National Opera John Fisher at the Minden United Church from Aug. 5 to 7.

The Highlands Opera Studio and co-artistic directors Richard Margison and Valerie Kuinka organized the event. The studio is run under the auspices of the Highlands Summer Festival charitable company. The opera, *La Boheme*, is scheduled to be performed at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion from Aug. 29 to Sept. 1.

Phone for tickets: 705-457-9933.



Master class participant Kyra Folk-Farber sings.



Professional consultant John Fisher, who is the general director of the Welsh National Opera, holds a happy, but exhausted, master class participant Colleen Skull, following her instruction.

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Community walk caps off poverty campaign

Jenn Watt
Editor

The YWCA/Minden Food Bank walk, It Takes A Community, was as much about awareness raising as it was about fundraising, organizer Laura Redman said.

While a handful of participants strolled along Minden's Riverwalk Saturday morning, it is the event taken as a whole that will have an impact on the community, she said.

"It's about getting the word out that there are issues here," she said.

The walk was one element of a campaign that included a poster-making project for students from Archie Stouffer Elementary School.

Grades 1, 3 and 8 students were asked to create pink, cloth posters that eventually lined Riverwalk with anti-poverty slogans and depictions of what people need to live.

There was also a raffle of donated items, which served as the primary fundraising engine.

Redman said the food bank and YWCA were using the It Takes a Community campaign to bring attention to rural poverty, which is sometimes hard to see to the outside, seasonal population.

"There's a lot of caring out there," she said, people just need information.

Proceeds will be divided between the Minden Food Bank and YWCA



Jenn Watt Times staff

Laura Redman of the YWCA, Minden Reeve Jim McMahon and Lindsay MacLean of the MInden Food Bank stroll down the Riverwalk for the It Takes a Community fundraiser Saturday morning.



Passersby Lauren, Loretta and Justin Cusato stopped to drum with the Abbey North Drummers.



At right: Brigitte Gall, left, and Nadine Papp shake their oranges to the beat of the Abbey North Drummers, while Naiomi and Clementine rattle bananas.

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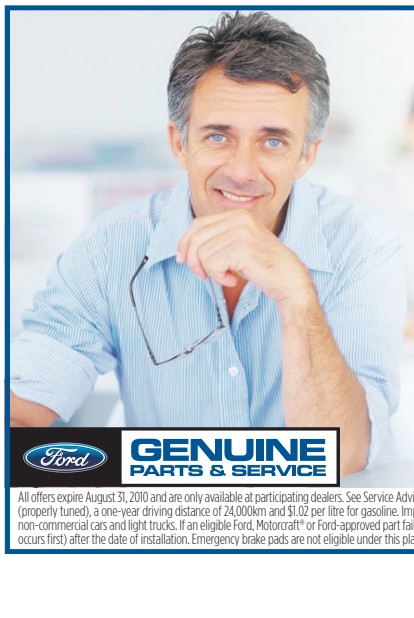
Prizes were awarded to Justin Bragg for smallest fish and to Hannah Bragg for the largest fish.

The most fish were caught by Alexandra Forsyth (13.88kg, 30lbs -10oz), a winner for the second consecutive year.

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Abby Xerri wants ‘the people to be involved’



Chad Ingram Times staff

Entrepreneur Abby Xerri is running for one of two councillor seats in Minden Hills’s Ward 1 in the October municipal election. Xerri says there should be greater transparency in council and more opportunity for public input.

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Abby Xerri says he wants to bring some new energy to Minden Hills council.

Xerri is running for one of two councillor positions for Ward 1 in the Oct. 25 municipal election.

A resident of Minden since 2004 and owner of Xerri DesignBuild, Xerri said transparency and accountability to constituents would be his top priorities if elected.

“I think it’s the key ingredient,” he said. “I really want the people to be involved.”

His decision to run for council came about largely as a result of the township’s water tower project, which has angered some residents in the area of St. Germaine Street where Xerri lives. The municipality also acquired a $1 million shortfall, which it is still attempting to make up.

“I think I’ve observed a process – or non-process – of how people can be involved,” Xerri said.

He’s talked to many people who don’t feel their concerns about township business are being heard by the current council.

“That has caused people, I guess, to stifle themselves,” Xerri said, reinforcing that more open lines of communication between the community and council are necessary.

He said while he understands the legalities around in-camera meetings, he also believes the current council is too quick to label issues as in-camera matters and move into closed session.

Enhanced and sustainable economic development is another issue on Xerri’s list and he said he would work to strengthen Minden’s business community.

“The people that run their businesses here, they’ve done it through sweat and tears,” he said, adding that a largely seasonal economy can present challenges to entrepreneurs. “I want to bring a new energy to unite that community and see it gets that due respect.”

Quality of life in Minden is also central to Xerri’s platform, with him saying that it is important for the township to continue its efforts in the areas of art and culture and also to try to attract more physicians to the area.

His family, he noted, travels to Bracebridge for medical care.

Xerri, who has a website and brochures made up, will be campaigning largely by door-knocking, which he said he is dedicating two days a week to until the fall election.

“I’m a real believer in the handshake and eye contact,” he said.

Xerri will also be holding meet and greets, with one this Saturday outside of Dollo’s IGA.

He said these events, which he plans to videotape for his website, will be an opportunity not just for him to share his platform with people, but, more importantly, a chance for people to share their concerns with him.

“Council does not make the town,” he said. “It is the town. People need to remember that their voices are important.”

To learn more about Xerri, visit www.abbyxerri.ca.

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What creature cleans our lakes?

If you know the answer to this question, you could win a beautiful work of art: an oak burl bowl by Guy Ouellet.

Question: What long-lived creature is responsible for cleaning our lakes and creating the right environment for fish such as bass to thrive? (They do this by eating decaying matter and excess vegetation.)

We will pull a random name from amongst the correct answers at the end of the summer for the winner.

You can enter one answer per person per question. Please include your name and contact information along with the correct response for a chance to win. Answers must come in before the Monday following the *Cottage Times* print date.

Last week's question: What can buffer zones do for you? A buffer zone is an area that is planted with taller, native vegetation, to help protect/separate different ecosystems to help the environment. Can you list four ways that buffer zones and other naturalized areas help our environment?

Answer: Buffer zones and other naturalized areas help our environment by:

- Filtering out pollutants such as chemicals and fertilizers from run-off before they get into our water.
- If they are taller than a goose, they discourage geese from landing near the water, which helps to keep goose waste to a minimum.
- Controlling erosion and sedimentation.
- Providing our wildlife with places to live.
- Providing food for our local wildlife.

Eco trivia courtesy of Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council, http://www.ontariostewardship.org/councils/haliburton/, The Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Associations, www.cohpoa.ca, and Environment Haliburton, www.environmenthaliburton.ca.

Celebrate local food at the farmers' market

Who: The Haliburton County Farmers' Market Association

What: A celebration of local food, featuring local vendors and producers, entertainment for children and adults, local food specialties, information booths, books and more.

Why: To celebrate the abundance of local food and to disseminate information and knowledge regarding the same.

Where: That Place in Carnarvon, at the junction of Hwy 118 and 35

When: Friday, Aug. 27, 1 to 5 p.m.

Participants of this event include:

- Haliburton County Farmers' Market
- Haliburton County Farmers' Association
- Haliburton County Public Library
- Highland Meat Cooperative
- Hilltop Market
- Waverley Brook Farm CSA
- Haliburton- Muskoka Children's Water Festival
- Harpist Deb Northey
- The Abbey North Drummers
- Duncan balloons and face painting

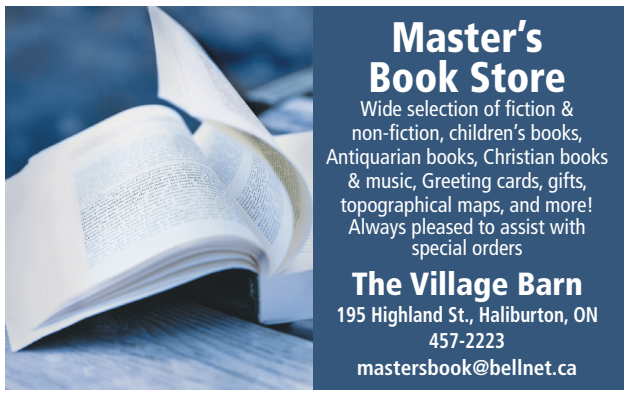
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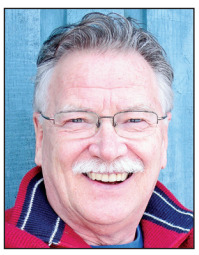


A colourful history: from the Hungarian revolution to Kennisis Lake

George Schvarcz (pronounced Schwartz) is a confessed workaholic and a man with a past that could well be fodder for a Hollywood script.

Born in 1940, near the Russian border in Hungary, he was the only child of middle class parents. "I had a motorcycle when I was young," he recalls. The motorcycle might explain his penchant for electrical engineering that defined his adult years, but his childhood turned sour when his father was drafted into the German army in the early 1940s.

Interesting People



george farrell

"Hungary was the pathway to Russia," Schvarcz explains, "and when the Germans invaded Russia they came through Hungary." Schvarcz's father was ultimately captured by the Russians and taken to Siberia as a prisoner of war. "When he came back he was a different man. He had experienced so many atrocities. In the army you did what you were told ... or else."

His father started to drink heavily, and by the time young George was 12 his dad was dead. Then things got worse. The Russians confiscated the family property and the pharmacy business, and George's mother was reduced "to selling candy from a shack to passing soldiers."

George Schvarcz managed to obtain work as an electrical apprentice in a state-owned steel mill. Then, on his 16th birthday, he received instructions to report to the Czechoslovakian border to join the Hungarian army. "Even though I always loved airplanes I ended up as a regular foot soldier," he recalls. "We were equipped with the old AK 45s and with grenades."

In late September and early October of '56, the Hungarian revolution took place, and it scarred Schvarcz for life. His army unit was brought to Budapest to help defend the city against the Russians, and he remembers that for a while the Hungarians were winning. "For 13 days Hungary was free of Russian domination," he exclaims. "Then we ran out of ammunition and medicine. We received absolutely no assistance from the free world, and after 13 days, Khrushchev sent in the tanks. They completely encircled Budapest and crushed Hungary like it never existed. What happened in those 13 days is indescribable, disgusting and against humanity," he says with a lingering bitterness.

Schvarcz had seen enough, and in November of '56 he deserted and escaped to Austria. With the help of the International Red Cross George Schvarcz eventually made it to Canada. He still spoke very little English when he landed at Malton, "which was the airport for Toronto back then," Schvarcz says. "It was so cold I just about froze." It was April of 1957, and Schvarcz was all of 17 years old and alone in a new world. He needed to find a job quickly.

"My first job was in a belt factory on Spadina Avenue in Toronto," he says with a sardonic smile, "and I took home $7 a week."

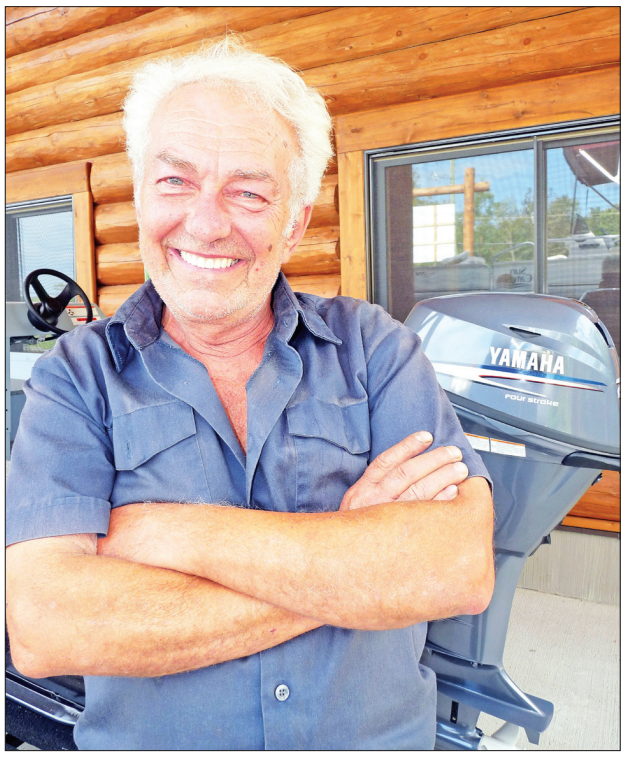
"I lived in a rooming house with (billionaire industrialist) Frank Stronach, who was then a millwright."

Using his previous experience in Hungary, Schvarcz served a five year electrical apprenticeship with State Electric in Toronto, and he got his ticket as a certified electrician. He was still living in Malton when he obtained work as a student engineer on the famed Avro Arrow fighter/bomber.

Schvarcz then applied to Ryerson University and he eventually graduated as an electro mechanical engineer in 1962. In 1969 he obtained a professional engineering degree from Ryerson, and went to work for ITE Canada Ltd., designing heavy electrical manufacturing apparatus.

Some years later Schwarcz decided to form his own company called Commercial Switchgear Ltd, which produced heavy equipment for industrial and commercial installations, including airports. "We installed the power distribution and emergency back-up services for military and civilian airports across Canada," he says, with justifiable pride. "Our clients were the Canadian government and the Canadian and U.S. military."

With the unionization of Commercial Switchgear Ltd. in 1995 Schvarcz sold the company, and he and wife Heidi, whom he met in Toronto in the mid '70s, decided to make a lifestyle change by moving to the Haliburton Highlands.



George Schvarcz, now the owner of Haliburton Outdoor Equipment, started life in Russian-occupied Hungary. /Photo by George Farrell

In 1996 Schvarcz opened Haliburton Outdoor Equipment on Kennisis Lake Road. You might think that the time had long since passed for George Schvarcz to slow down a bit; but no, he's still going full tilt, and as proof to his ceaseless hard work, Haliburton Outdoor Equipment Ltd. is a five star Yamaha dealership.

"It's been quite a colourful history," says Schvarcz. "I love people, equipment, sports and the outdoors, but all I do is work. I don't take days off."



Thawts about livin' and dyin'

Maybelle's **Fireside stories**



I was just thinking about dyin'. Oh, not that I want to. I like the door of life being open, don'tcha know. It was the funeral today that did it. A wee layin' in the ground (in my rutabaga patch) of my good friend, Chipper, the cutest chipmunk you've ever seen.

Why if Vilma Yuccch didn't come over with Twindle Mumbly and Sybil Beaucannon Hughes. We all loved Chipper. So did the tires on somebody's truck. Flattened him like a chipmunk pancake.

So, we put him in a shoebox and lined it with his favourite peanuts. Then we stood round it and said this prayer…

Dear Chipper. Thanks fer making us smile every time we'd see you. Thanks fer eating peanuts from our hands and tickling 'em so. And thanks fer making us remember about all the critters running and flying…and the things growing that we need to keep healthy to keep 'em all alive, and us, too.

Well, Twindle kept blowing his nose like he was having a hayfever attack and Sybil kept breathing so deep and so hard I had to put a paper bag over her nose to keep her from fainting, don'tcha know.

As fer Vilma, she was playing flute on her guitar.

Poor ol' Bogart was beside himself. Why he hugged a tree so hard it sucked in its middle like a teenager's waist. Oh how he sobbed. He loved chipper more than anybody. Why Bogart's the most sensitive bear I know.

Then we all ate our potluck fixings and raised our tea cups toasting our wee flattened friend. Which brings me to what I was saying at the start.

I've been thinking about dyin' today which sure made me think about LIVING! And from ol' Maybelle's circumspection, it comes to this …

We've got two doors in life. One we open when we're born and t'other we close when we go. We come into one and get a diaper slapped on our fannies and we go out t'other and get a bigger diaper yanked off the sample place.

It's what happens between the diapers that's important. The hills and valleys. The happy times and the memories that kin tear yer heart out … and sometimes makes you drink Milk of Magnolia, don'tcha know.

Well, I think ol' Willie Shakespeero was right. Life is a stage and we're all writing the script. Some of us are serious writers, some are funny, some like mystery and t'others write romance.

And guess what? We can change our script if we don't like being in it.

Now I'm not saying that's easy. You need a big ol' eraser to do it, but it can be done. I should know. Ol' Maybelle's 80-something and my script has more hills and valleys than the government's got taxes.

But I'm changing my script to comedy, don'tcha know. And if it ever gets too serious I'll rewrite it again. And when I'm not able to do that anymore, I'll get Bogart to take dictation.

After all, that's what friends are fur, don'tcha know.

'Til next time, when I tell you about the heroes who live right here in Lake WhaddyathinkImean.

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Get a taste of opera

Column by Chad Ingram

The Highlands Opera Studio will continue to fill the county with song throughout the month of August.

Last week the studio held master classes at the Minden United Church with opera virtuoso John Fisher adjudicating and it will be hosting a number of other events in upcoming weeks as part of the Highlands Summer Festival.

Excerpt concerts, which are not full, costumed operas, but rather the singing of various operatic selections, will take place in Minden on Aug. 13 and in Haliburton on Aug. 19 and 21.

A concert featuring the studio's faculty will also take place in Minden on Aug. 14.

Valerie Kuinka, one of the artistic directors with the studio, said concerts may be an opportunity for those unfamiliar with opera who may be unsure about sitting through an entire opera to become more familiar with the art form.

Kuinka said one of her goals is to cast off opera's stereotypical, snobby image and make it more accessible to the general public.

"People are intimidated and they shouldn't be," she said, adding that opera, at its root, is based on the deepest human emotions, something that everyone can understand.

On Aug. 20 and 22, there will be performances of *The Old Maid and the Thief*, a one-act opera by Italian-American composer Gian Menotti, at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

The opera, which Kuinka described as quite comical at times, takes place in English and so can be easily understood.

Then, from Aug. 29 through Sept. 1, the studio will finish off this summer's festival with four performances of one of the world's most popular operas, Giacomo Puccini's *La Boheme*.

"It's the first full-fledged opera we're doing," Kuinka said excitedly, explaining that the four-act performance will be sung in Italian.

This year the shows are double cast, since a record-breaking 18 students are part of this summer's studio program.

Typically, there are between seven and 10 students in the August-long program, but this year Kuinka said so many talented singers from across the country came out to audition (there were more than 200), the studio upped the class size.

Those who are selected to take part in the month-long program get to do so for free, with the money the studio makes from its performances going towards travel and accommodations for students.

Kuinka said she wished to thank the festival's volunteer and in particular Melissa Stephens and Jack Brezina for making it possible for the studio to be part of the festival once again.

For more information on any of the studio's shows, call the festival office at 457-9933.

For more information on the Highlands Opera Studio, visit its website at www.highlandsoperastudio.com.

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Under the Big Top at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre

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Facing Forest Festival fears

Awkward Moments column by Chad Ingram • Photos by Jenn Watt

It was shaping up to be a rough summer for Galea and me.

His inability to catch the elusive chupacabra who'd been stealing his wife's chickens, my abject failure as an outdoorsman, being rejected from Dusk Dances and the Smile Festival, our functional illiteracy; all these things combined had left us feeling a little low.

And not just to the ground.

So, I decided that a trip to this year's Forest Festival at the Haliburton Forest might be just the thing to raise our spirits.

I found Galea at headquarters – a.k.a. the corner of the basement in the *Echo* office where they kept us – exercising.

Galea would often pass time working out as we waited for the next big call from the parent of a smiling child in an inner tube who urgently needed her photograph taken.

"Galea!" I said.

"What do you want?" he asked, hopping off his hamster wheel. "I was in the zone, man."

"I was thinking, we've been working, if that's what you want to call it, and I do, an awful lot lately," I said. "Maybe we should take a few days off and go out to enjoy one of the many fine cultural events taking place in the county this month."

"What are we going to do about ... you know?" he asked, his eyes pointing upwards to the ceiling, on the other side of which was editor Jenn Watt's office.

"I've already thought of that," I said, pulling out my laptop computer. "We make a recording of your wheel spinning, me snoring, loop it and play it back. She'll never know we're gone."

So, my perfect plan expertly executed, we managed to bypass the three-headed dog – we'd affectionately named it Perkins – that guarded the basement door and made our escape.

"So, where are we headed?" Galea asked.

"I thought we'd catch one of the shows at the Forest Festival," I told him.

His eyes widening, he froze.

"Forest Festival!" he said. "Oh no, no, no!"

I'd never seen anyone with such a strong adversity to outdoor concerts that didn't involve Nickelback.

"What's the big deal?" I asked.

Galea then told me a story I'd never heard before, a horrifying one about how he'd been born into a cult



Sean Pennylegion, right, of the Haliburton Forest Festival tries to convince Steve Galea that the event is about music, not sacrificing goats.

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Galea performs saw solo

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deep in the woods of Haliburton, one that sacrificed any number of barnyard animals at ritualistic ceremonies its members called "festivals."

He'd escaped on the back of a squirrel when he was just four.

Suddenly I understood why Galea screamed like a banshee every time we passed a petting zoo.

"No, no, the Forest Festival is a concert series at an outdoor amphitheatre in Haliburton Forest," I said. "Apparently the venue is incredibly beautiful and its location was chosen specifically for its astounding natural acoustics."

Galea was still apprehensive, so I arranged a tour of the concert site with Forest Festival organizer Sean Pennylegion.

"Welcome to Bone Lake," Pennylegion said as we met him at the amphitheatre the next day.

I was struck by the terraced seating leading down to a floating stage, an uninhabited lake stretching out beyond.

"So obviously people are seated here, we have lights strung through the trees over here ... ," Pennylegion said, showing us around the area.

Suddenly, Galea was wearing a sign reading "No More Forest Festivals," marching around screaming "Save the goats! Save the goats!"

"What the heck are you doing?" Pennylegion asked.

Galea, explaining his unfortunate upbringing, informed Pennylegion that he was simply exercising his right to peaceful protest to speak out against the sacrifice of goats at Bone Lake.

"Well, I can assure you there will be no goat slaughtering at the Forest Festival," Pennylegion said.

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"I hear that last show is almost sold out," I said.

"Shhhh," said Pennylegion.

"The honesty's too much," Galea said.

Galea was still unsure and questioned whether the floating stage wasn't actually a pedestal used for the sacrificial slaughter of goats.

"No, it's just a stage, and its acoustics are amazing," Pennylegion said. "Watch."

He grabbed a bright blue ukulele from its case.

"As you can see, I'm very secure in my masculinity," he said, starting towards the stage.

I followed, eager for a chance to play my washboard, which I kept in the car in case of impromptu jug-band jam sessions or laundry-related emergencies.

Our two-man band in full swing, Pennylegion and I managed to coax Galea down onto the stage.

"See Galea, no goats," I said. "No kidding."

"Hey, yeah," he said. "This is fun. And it sounds great. Just a second."

Apparently, on one of his ill-fated adventures on Google, Galea had discovered that one could make music by playing a saw.

Clearly though, he'd not read enough of the article, as he returned to the stage with a running chainsaw.

"Check it out guys," he said. "Saw solo!"

Frightened for our lives, Pennylegion and I ran from the stage.

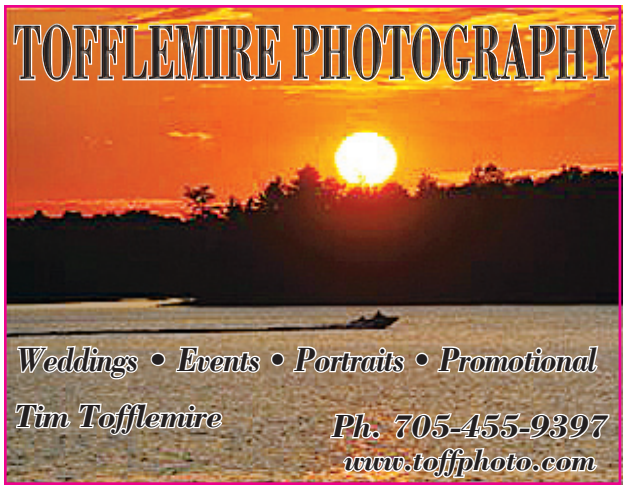
"Wait, guys, check this out," Galea said. "Hey, wait ..."

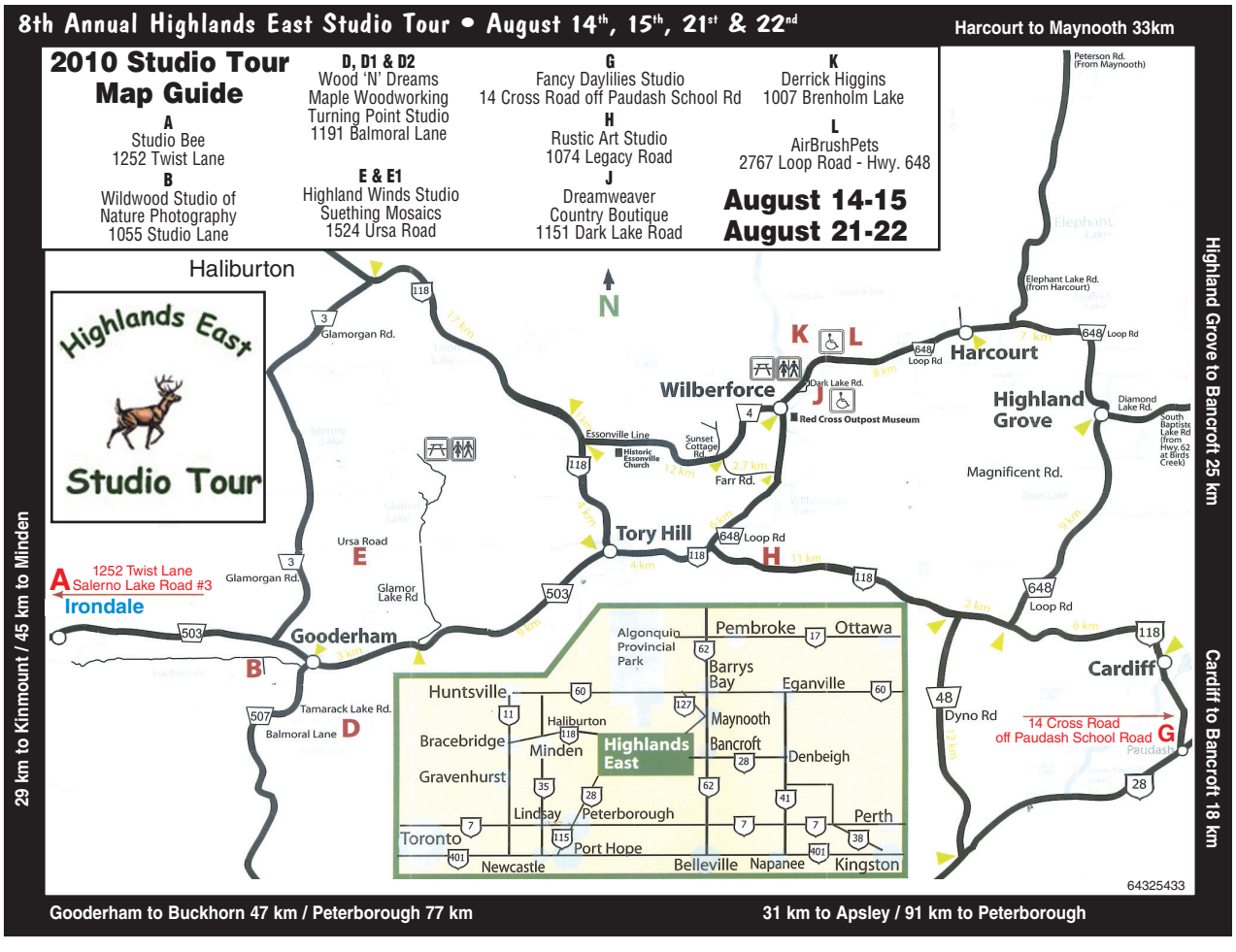
The Forest Festival runs from Aug. 18 to 22. For show times and tickets, call 754-2198.



Galea brings out his saw to play a solo and scares Ingram and Pennylegion off the stage.

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Into the uplands

Walking Softly • Column and photo by Steve Galea

The sound of a crow on the roost cuts across the hilltop. And, as I look in that direction, I marvel at a pink-hued dawn – one that would almost look gaudy and overdone, if depicted in an oil painting.

This morning, early in August, already holds a hint of autumn. Not in changing leaves, but in the cool air and the height of the goldenrods and milkweeds.

It's in the billowy clouds that hang heavy over the fullness of the trees. It's in the quality of light and the preparations that go on around here for the fair. And it is embodied in that plaintive crow call as he greets the new day.

August, to me, has always been a shallow slope just below the crest. The descent to September, at first, is imperceptible.

But then, somewhere towards the end of the month, the grade gets steeper and soon we are immersed in an autumn filled with blushing maples, geese in flight, and leaves migrating towards their final resting place. It is a spectacular and dramatic time.

Yesterday, I went for a walk in the back field, bushwhacking through chest high dogbane, goldenrod and milkweed, and watching sparrows flush as I cut a path, like an icebreaker, toward the tree line.

It was not an aimless walk this time. I had a location and purpose in mind. And when I got there, to that grove of wrist-sized poplars, bristling out the bare earth and old leaves, I stopped and remembered autumns past.



Not just another bird dropping, this chalky white substance speaks of only one bird. The woodcock is holding steady despite its habitat loss.

Here, in this small, dense copse between the fields and the tree line, resident woodcock take refuge. It is the closest huntable cover to my home and a place I will visit twice an autumn, more to see the birds than to shoot them. It's not that I wouldn't. More like the cover is tight and swinging a gun on a flushing woodcock or grouse in this stuff is just as much luck as good management.

But I'm not hunting today. I'm just curious to see if a resident bird or two has set up a home here in the shade this grove provides where the leaf duff is not so thick and the ground is moist and prime habitat for earthworms. So I meander through, looking for sign.

Soon, I see what I am looking for. To anyone other than an upland bird hunter, it would appear as another bird dropping. But the size and the location and its white, chalky nature tell me that at least one woodcock resides here. And that thought makes me smile.

If my own informal spring survey is any indication, these little, secretive birds seem to be doing well around this hill, this year. I couldn't walk a hundred yards at dusk in spring without hearing the characteristic "peent, peent, peent" or seeing a male bird erupt from the edge of the alders to perform a sky dance. The conditions this spring favoured these birds and I was rooting for them.

North American populations, I'm told, seem to be holding steady, but for a while the scientists say they were on a steady decline.

Habitat loss has always been deemed the culprit. But, in truth, I think that the surveyors don't know where to look. There old survey routes had grown over or were buried beneath development and the birds, it seems, are quicker to adapt than the biologists.

Let's hope it's always that way.

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Over-the-top characters are what make the murder mystery playing at the Northern Lights Pavilion until Friday.

The audience laughed early and easily for the Highlands Summer Festival's comedic murder mystery, *The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940*, on opening night Aug. 2.

It could have been the clumsy, forgetful murderer who almost bungles the stabbing of the maid Helsa Wenzel in the opening scene that tipped them off, or perhaps it was the entrance of egomaniacal Ken De La Maize bursting through the door in knee-high riding boots and a ridiculously mop-like wig covering the top of his head.

Whatever it was, the cast of *The Musical Comedy* had the audience captivated from nearly the first instant of the production right to the standing ovation at the end.

Reminiscent of so many murder mystery movies, *The Musical Comedy* is set in a remote mansion where characters are trapped by a snowstorm, forced to figure out who among them is the Stage Door Slasher, a murderer who has killed three chorus girls before.

The cast is composed of the usual suspects – a police officer, a seductive benefactor, two young actors who will become romantically linked, a drunkard songwriter, and a self-aggrandizing director – and a few oddballs, such as a German maid, an Irish tenor and a whimsical producer.

What makes the play all the more interesting are the twists included by playwright John Bishop, including setting the story in the midst of the Second World War, combining modern humour with old-timey situations and characters actively satirizing themselves.

It's not always easy to keep up with what's happening – who is a suspect? who is a spy? why do we keep seeing dead characters reappear? – but the over-the-top performances coupled with the intricate set designed by David Adolphus, which included multiple hidden passageways, kept even the most confused audience members attentive.

Particularly impressive were performances by Ryan Brown as struggling comedian Eddie McCuen, Lorraine McNeil as potential producer Marjorie Baverstock (with an inexplicable annunciation issue) and Nicola Jowett as the severe German maid, Helsa.

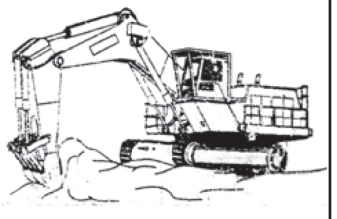
All of these actors take their characters one step above the expected rendition, enhancing the hilarity of the production.

That said, overall the cast was very strong, interacting with each other, the script and set easily and with familiarity.

On opening night, there were a few glitches – a secret passage opened before the switch was pulled, one character stumbled over a few of her lines, another struggled with transitions between accents, and some jokes went unacknowledged by the audience – all amounting to very little when seen as a wider production.

The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940 is a tight, well-executed, light hearted, fun play that should be on anyone's list of things to do this week in Haliburton.

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Keystone event for area still needed

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Tourism Association and the Algonquins of Pikwakanagan, centred on what common products the areas offered.

These commonalities were many, Smith said, including fishing, camping and arts and culture.

What representatives agreed was lacking was some kind of major keystone event, perhaps one that could take place in various locations throughout the RTO.

"I was very impressed with it," Smith said of the meeting. "It was a very positive feeling around the table."

Smith expects positive economic outcomes for the county as a result of new provincial marketing structure.

"There will be a large effect on Haliburton County," he said.

The board agreed that the GTA and Ottawa were its two target markets and while the GTA has always been a target for Haliburton County, Smith said the RTO program will mean exposure in Ottawa that it's never had before.

The transition board is working on a name for the RTO. Thirty-seven suggestions were whittled down to three at last month's meeting.

He said it's challenging coming up with a name that represents the character of the region without being too geographically specific.

The board will be meeting again before the end of the summer and the RTOs – there are 13 in all – should be officially incorporated some time in the fall.

The province announced the creation of the RTOS, which will receive some $40 million in funding in 2010, earlier this year in response to a competitiveness study performed by Tourism Ministry in 2009.

While the county was originally split into two RTOs – Algonquin Highlands had been grouped with Muskoka – opposition to the fracture by area residents pushed the province to leave the county unified.

Former *Minden Times* owner takes over *County Voice*

Jenn Watt
Editor

Nine years after he sold the *Minden Times*, Jack Brezina is returning to the newspaper industry, taking up the post of publisher with the *Haliburton County Voice* last week.

Brezina said his interest in running the paper on a temporary, part-time basis was mutual with the *Voice*'s current management.

"The withdrawal of [owners] Brett and Joanne [Irvine] from the scene left a bit of a void and they approached me and I approached them ... about the possibility of seeing them through this transition. I like the change that has occurred as far as the management or control of the newspaper is concerned and the fact that it's being held as a public entity that will donate its profits back into the community," Brezina said in an interview.

Recently, the *Voice* announced that the Irvines would no longer be running the paper, but would instead turn it over to a community-run board that would donate all profits made back to community efforts.

That charity – named GIFT, give it for tomorrow – is expected to be fully functioning by the fall of this year.

In October of 2001, Brezina sold the *Times* to competitor Len Pizzey, who owned the *Haliburton County Echo* at the time.

That was after 21 years of newspaper ownership.

"I think it gets in your blood," he said of the industry, "I was really quite comfortable when I went back ... it just felt good."

Brezina took over the management of the paper on Friday, Aug. 6 with the understanding that he will evaluate his role at the business in a year, and expects to stay for two years.

"My discussions with the board of GIFT is that I'm here for two years ... after a year we'll do a reassessment. ... I'm a retired guy who was enjoying my free time and I will continue to enjoy it, I've just added another aspect to it," he said.

As for competing against the *Times*, the paper he put more than two decades into running, Brezina said enough time has passed that he's not sentimental about it.

"I think I've been removed enough – there's been enough time, water under the bridge – between when I sold it and now. I don't wish anyone ill. I think competition in any industry is good and it certainly strengthens newspapers to have good competition out there, keeping everybody honest and keeping things moving forward," he said.

He will, however, keep his "TIMES" licence plates, a gift from his wife Pat, as a memento of his start with the *Times* in the Highlands.

Arlene Johnston publishes first novel

Husband's off-hand comment inspires story of 10-year-old Haliburton boy

Jenn Watt
Editor

It was when her husband told her she was from another planet that Cranberry Lake resident Arlene Johnston got the idea for her first published novel.

Detailing the story of a 10-year-old Haliburton boy who loves nature and fishing, but has a harder time with his classmates, *Jule's Story* evolved quickly after Johnston got the first spark of inspiration.

"I love the writing – it took two months to write," Johnston said at the official launch of her book on Aug. 7 at Carnarvon Lanes.

The protagonist of the story, Jule, often goes to the woods to think through his problems and it is there that he meets his twin from outer space – Albert.

Readers can expect to find Jule in all sorts of Haliburton places since the book is based in the Highlands, where Johnston moved permanently nine years ago after cottaging for years.

"I really pulled Haliburton into this [book]," she said.

Johnston spends her winters writing and has been an active writer since the '90s.

She initially sent the book out to a few publishers with little success and then she found Lynn Simpson through the Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network.

"She was looking for picture books," Johnston said, but Simpson was open to other stories to publish under the Pine Lake Books label.

"I really enjoyed the story," Simpson said at the launch. "I liked it was [set] here and outside."

Johnston has already written three adventure/fantasy novels and a book of poetry. She won first prize in the Canoe FM short story contest and has been published in the *Haliburton Echo*'s Christmas supplement.



Jenn Watt Times staff

Cranberry Lake resident and author Arlene Johnston signs a copy of her new book, *Jule's Story*, for Graham Ducker at Carnarvon Lanes Saturday, Aug. 7.

Jule's Story is written for children age eight to 12 and is available for $12.95 at the West Guilford Shopping Centre, Eagle Lake Enterprises, through Pine Lake Books and on Amazon.ca.

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Families learn about climate change at outdoors centre

Jenn Watt
Editor

One of four regional climate change awareness programs for families was held at the Kinark Outdoors Centre on Saturday, Aug. 7.

A combination of learning and fun activities had families specially selected ascending a climbing wall, learning archery and doing crafts before heading to the sustainable learning centre for an educational program.

The program is funded by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment and is a joint venture by Kinark Outdoors Centre, Out to Learn and Point in Time.

The climate change education program is also run in the schools of the Trillium Lakeland District School Board.



Abigail Pereira, 8, of Aurora and her dad have some fun at the archery range at the Kinark Outdoor Centre.



David Porter of Cranberry Lake piles on the paint during an arts and crafts session at the Kinark Outdoor Centre on Saturday.



Above: There are many different methods of painting, as Jessie and David Porter demonstrated.
Right: Alexis, 5, and Abigail Pereira climb the rock wall.
Below: Claudette Cohen, 8, of Wilberforce gets some help from her mother at the archery range.





SIRCH gets 'sew resourceful' with new program

SIRCH Community Services is proud to announce the launch of our three-semester vocational training program for women. Following a successful four-month pilot project, our post-evaluation showed positive, significant and far-reaching effects on the participants involved, directly impacting their quality of life. Our commitment to this program is a result of the pilot project's success and we are thankful to HCDC for their support.

What is Sew Resourceful?

Participants have the opportunity to work through three levels of training in textile arts, beginning with entry level and 'graduating' to each subsequent level. The end goal is to educate and empower women to achieve employment, or launch their own line of products in a cottage industry. Upon successful completion of the program this model encourages some of the graduates to serve as mentor sto future participants. Our program aim is to develop sustainable technical, life and business skills needed to increase the participant's opportunity for long term employment and improve quality of life.

Each level of training has a different focus, covering the following areas:

-sewing skills
-communication skills
-life skills development
-product design and development
-marketing and sales
-effective customer service
-quality control
-business management

How much does this program cost?

The program is free of charge and lasts 10 weeks or more for each level of programming.

When does this program begin?

September 7, 2010

9 a.m. until 4 p.m.)ne day a week in class (with flexibility to work alternate times negotiated with the instructor).

Who can participate?

Individuals who are currently unemployed, seasonally employed, interested in learning how to run their own textile-based business, or need to increase their employability skillls.



Cultural centre gets a lift

The Minden Hills Cultural Centre received $1,800 in donations last week towards its Culture Club program, which provides summer programming for children. The centre received $800 from Arts Alive Minden and $1,000 from RBC Dominion Securities. Pictured are Arts Alive president Michael Fay, cultural centre director Daniela Pagliaro and Beth O'Connor of RBC Dominion Securities. /Photo by Chad Ingram

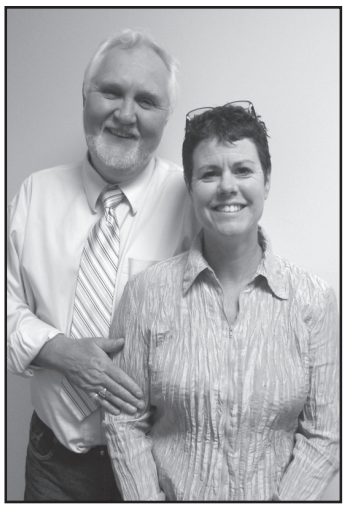
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Float your hull down the Gull

With tubes, dingies, rafts and pool noodles in hand, a number of people gathered at Rotary Park on Aug. 3 to take part in the annual Float Your Hull Down the Gull event, put on by the Minden Promoters as part of their Make It Minden campaign. **Chad Ingram** Times staff

Watch the meteor shower on Aug. 12

Come out to the Lochlin Community Centre for a guided watch of the annual meteor shower with Dr. Carl Bignell

Dark Skies in the Lochlin Flats is an evening of stargazing with friends of the Rail Trail on Thursday, Aug. 12 – the peak of the Perseid meteor shower.

The experience starts at the Lochlin Community Centre at 9 p.m. for orientation with our guide, Dr. Carl Bignell, a retired astronomer who divides his time between Bala and Burnt River.

We're delighted to have Bignell lend his expertise to this family-friendly outing. The idea for this came up during the Sunday Rambles as another way to use the ideal outdoor classroom of the Rail Trail. A special welcome is extended to cottagers who would like to learn more about the constellations they admire from the dock.

There will be lots of opportunities to ask questions of Bignell whether you're a novice stargazer or a telescope geek. He'll be bringing along his telescope for show and tell.

A star map of the current night sky from *Star and Telescope* magazine will be on hand for reference. The moon is just past new, and setting before the height of the meteors, for a good dark sky.

Fortified by coffee and desserts, we'll head out onto the Rail Trail as it gets dark, in the landscape known locally as the Lochlin Flats. Shooting stars could be as often as 60 per hour on this particular evening. Hope for a clear night, but there's a program planned if we have cloud cover.

Bring a telescope or binoculars if you'd like, but these aren't necessary. It's fun to just settle in to oooh and ahhh at the falling stars. If you get a stiff neck looking up, why not bring along a folding chair and one of those travelling neck pillows? A blanket and bug spray might add to your comfort. This is a great alternative to a movie – and a fun way to meet people.

Friends of the Rail Trail, or FoRT for short, is a membership group devoted to "connecting community and Rail Trail."

Sunday Rambles were held weekly throughout April and May, but events are being planned once a month for the balance of the year.

In July, we canoed along two abandoned railways! Look for a Heritage Farm Tour with a railway theme mid September. New members are always welcome. It's only $5, or free for kids under 18.

Events – which usually have an aspect of history or nature – are always affordable, imaginative and social.



Dark Skies guide Carl Bignell, left, with Valerie Garland at a recent FoRT event, the canoe ramble.

Pamela Marsales Special to the Times

Dark Skies participation is open to all by donation, and/or a contribution to the potluck dessert table. For more info, please leave a message at 457-4767, or email wildwoodpaths@yahoo.ca.

Submitted by Friends of the Rail Trail

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SEE PAGE 9 IN TODAY'S PAPER

Sheriff's Sale of Land(s)

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Share your Dorset stories



Melissa Alfano
Dorset News

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Do you have any stories about your experiences in Dorset? Dorset Heritage Museum is putting together some stories from people around town with memories they would like to share. So, if you have any stories, the museum would be pleased if you would share them. All you need to do is visit the museum and they will record it. If you are camera-shy, that is not a problem, just pop in and they will write it down instead.

Any stories shared would be greatly appreciated. The museum address is 1040 Main Street, Dorset and the museum can be contacted at dhm@muskoka.com or by calling 705-766-0323.

Dorset Day Camp continues Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for boys and girls ages five to 12. Half days are also available. Activities include arts and crafts, indoor and outdoor games, swimming, hikes to the Dorset Tower, theme days, library time and much more. Stop by the Dorset Recreation Centre to pick up a complete day camp schedule or to find out more. Day camp ends on Friday, Aug. 27.

The Dorset Lions Club annual spaghetti dinner at the Dorset Recreation Centre is coming up on Thursday, Aug. 12 starting at 6 p.m. On the menu are spaghetti, garlic bread, salad, coffee, tea and dessert. For more information or to reserve tickets for this popular event, call Steve at 705-766-2469.

There is still time to sign up for the ORCKA Safe Canoeing course taking place on Little Trading Bay on Saturday, Aug. 14 with two times to choose from; either 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. or 2 to 5 p.m. The course costs $30 per person and is taught by certified instructor Jonathan French. For more information or to sign up (a minimum is required for the course to run) please call the Dorset Recreation Centre at 766-9968.

Basic canoeing levels 1 to 4 are also being offered between Aug. 15 and 26. Call 766-9968 for more details.

On Wednesday, Aug. 18 at 1 p.m. the Dorset library is pleased to welcome award-winning writer Neil Campbell who will be sharing stories from his new book *Cell Phones and Sap Buckets*.

Neil writes of life in the deep woods on Sapsucker Ridge in Haliburton County with his dog, The Brown Dog, Jiggs. Hear selections from the book, have a chat with Neil and an opportunity to ask him about his story writing. For more information, contact the library at 766-9969.

Kid's Crafts take place at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Wednesday, August 18 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Crafts are $2 each and all materials are supplied to create a personalized wooden plaque. For more information, call 766-9968.

A night of music is taking place at St. Ambrose Anglican Church on the hill in Baysville on Thursday, August 19 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $10 at the door or from any St. Ambrose member. The concert will feature Connie Briant, soprano (from Dorset!), Michael Hartley, baritone, Ruth Morawetz, piano, Sarah Jane Johnson, cellist (also from Dorset!) and Bill Martyn, trumpet.

Birthday wishes for the week of Aug. 8 to 14 go out to Erin Burgess. For all who have birthdays, anniversaries special occasions this week, have fun on your special day!

To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email me at melalfano@hotmail.com or give me a call at 705-766-0076.

Warm July in Minden

Phil Graham
Special to the *Times*

Average high	27.1C	80.6F
Average low	14.2C	57.5F
Average for month	20.1C	68F
Average for last July	17.4C	63.3F
Highest temperature July 8	34C	93.2F
Lowest temperature July 2	5C	41F
Rain	131.9 mm	5.1 inches
Total precipitation	131.9 mm	5.1 inches
Total precipitation for last July	110 mm	4.3 inches
Days mostly sunny	16	
Days with rain	11	
River water temperature July 31	23C	73.4F

July was a warm month and also quite a moist month. No trouble for the grass to grow and the gardens also, much better than last July. We had plenty of heavy rain and hail in places.

July 9 heavy rain started 2 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. measured 3.2 inches. Second highest amount in 60 years at this weather station. More was during Hurricane Hazel.

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One week into August and already patches of colour highlight trees along Galway Road a sure sign that the Kinmount Fair is fast approaching. The 2010 edition of this historic fair with the forward Look will welcome thousands of visitors over the Labour Day weekend on Friday, Saturday and Sunday – Sept. 3, 4, and 5.

On Thursday, Sept. 2 it's the kids' lawn tractor pull (15 years and under, mower blades removed, helmets mandatory) with the Lions Club monster Bingo starting at 7 p.m. in the arena. Friday is Children's Day with free admission for all preschool and elementary school children.

This week the featured performers at the Thursday evening Music in the Park series in Austin Sawmill Heritage Park will be Flexx - rock and popular band. So bring along your lawn chairs at 6:30 pm. for an enjoyable musical experience in a beautiful natural setting beside the Burnt River. Next Thursday, Aug. 19 it will be the Country Hot Flashes, Cold Shoulders performing. Thanks to the Kinmount and District Lions Club for sponsoring this popular annual Series.

Speaking of the Kinmount Lions Club this Friday, Aug. 13 is the deadline for submissions to the Citizen of the Year Committee, Box 15, Kinmount, Ont. K0M 2A0. Candidates should be individuals from the Kinmount area who have enriched this community through their volunteer efforts and commitment. Those who have won the award in previous years are Dave Lougheed, Ted Wilkes, Diane Austin, Tom Lang, Joyce Brown, Madeline Pearson, Carole Jones, Jean Anderson, Keith Stata, Lynne Kilby, Ambrose Ferren and Ralph Pearson.

Summer reading supplies getting low? Why not head off to the monthly book sale on the lower level of the Kinmount library on Saturday, Aug. 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please note that donations of good used books can be dropped off anytime in the labelled receptacle outside the branch for these sales held the third Saturday of every month by the friends of the library group. Funds raised help to enrich the programs offered by the branch.

The whole community is invited to the Family Fun Day at the Kinmount Baptist Church on Saturday, Aug. 21 from 11 am to 3 p.m. At the Rainforest Café there will be free refreshments, balloon twisters, skill challenges, face painting, crafts and a bouncing castle. Bring the whole family, have some fun and win some prizes. Later in the month on Sunday, Aug. 29 there will be Hymn Fest at the church starting at 5 p.m. Again everyone is welcome for this special event with music, food and fellowship.

This year's Haliburton County Fair at the Minden fairgrounds will feature a Country Music Jamboree starting on Friday, Aug. 20 at 6 p.m. with Faron Brown and Five Bucks Short. On Saturday, Aug. 21 from noon to dusk it will be Destination Country with Wesley on the fiddle. There will also be an open mic session for local talent along with appearances by the Country Hot Flashes and Cold Shoulders and the bluegrass group Next Generation.

The annual summer Smorgasbord Supper hosted by Burnt River United Church will be held on Saturday, Aug. 21 from 4 to 6:30 p.m. at the Burnt River Centre. Both hot and cold entrees will be on the menu with homemade pie for dessert! Admission at the door is $13.50 for adults and $3.50 for children six to 12 years with kindergarten and younger children free. On that same day at the Burnt River Centre it will be the ART/2010 Show highlighting the works of local artists and artisans as well as local elementary school children. Please note that entries for the photography snap shot contest should be submitted to the Burnt River post office by noon on Friday, Aug. 20 at the latest. For more information about this annual event call 705-454-8045 or 1653.



Music by the Gull

Photos by Jenn Watt



Above: The Country Hot Flashes and Cold Shoulders played to a Minden audience on Water Street on Aug. 6 as part of the Music by the Gull series.

Right: A crowd gathered to watch the performance.

Coming Events

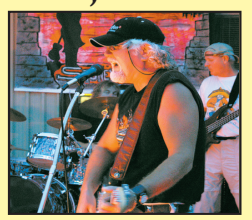
4th Annual
JUNIOR FAIR DAY CAMP
August 16th, 17th, 2010
10 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Location: Exhibit Building - Minden Fair Grounds
Activities: Create exhibits (crafts) to be judged and displayed at the Agricultural Fair in Minden August 20th & 21st, 2010
Ages: Pre-school to Grade 8, Snacks and Drinks Provided
Contact People: Dianne Dollo 286-2342; Susan Sisson 286-2000
Ila Kellett 286-3905; Pat Maulson 286-6042 - *Please leave message.*

Please leave a message so that we may collect numbers and organize activities. Number of children may affect the day camp, so call in advance. We have had lots of fun the last three years and we hope to see you again his year!

Music For You!

THURS., AUG. 12th



"MUSIC IN THE PARK" KINMOUNT 6:30-8:30 PM
WITH GORD KIDD, STEVE MAIN, FERRON MAIN, IAN PAY
PLAYING YOUR FAVOURITE COUNTRY SONGS.



50/50 BAND - GORD KIDD, SCOTT RUSSELL, WAYNE REVOY & LEO RYAN

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21ST
JOIN THE BIKERS AFTER THE COMMUNITY CARE HALIBURTON COUNTY "ROAD SHARKS MOTORCYCLE POKER RIDE" AT THE HALCO PLAZA IN HALIBURTON FOR A BBQ, AND THE 50/50 ROCKIN' COUNTRY BAND

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21ST
MORE OF THE 50 /50 BAND AT THE ZION UNITED CHURCH, CARNARVON. BBQ AT 5:00 PM AND STREET DANCE 8:00 PM

Third annual garlic festival coming up in Carnarvon



Gina Atkinson
Stanhope Life

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Another garden party has come and gone! My girls adorned themselves with party hats and got into the spirit of the day. We had fun!

A tiny drawback was that I had filled too many water balloons and even after a bit of horsing around with them ourselves there were still quite a few left over. Bella and Cosmo got their first taste of what happens when you bite into a water balloon, but it wasn't enough to stop them from trying to pick them up. One might ask if I have too much time on my hands, not likely!

Two events coming up this month and I wouldn't want you to miss either one of them!

So advance, notice because it could be like Murphy's Law, everything falls on the same day – Aug. 28.

Not to spread yourself out too thin but you *can* do both.

The third annual Garlic Festival will happen at the same location as the last two years, the Carnarvon Bowl, located on Highway 118 and 35.

From the hours of 10 to 3 p.m. you can learn more about garlic, buy some authentic garlic from the area, pick up locally made jams, jellies, homemade baking – you name it.

And it's all there under your nose - so to speak.

see TWELVE MILE page 27

Coming Events

Zion United Church
"Your Community Church"

PIE SALE
Saturday, August 14th 9:30am
Drop by and pick up a pie!

OUTLOUD WOMYN'S VOICES
Sunday August 15th 9am with Abbey North Drummers

BBQ & STREET DANCE
Saturday August 21st 5pm (BBQ) with Gord Kidd & the 50/50 Band 8pm

"Your Community Church in Action"
Coffee / Tea & Goodies after Sunday Services
Come Join Us - All Welcome

ANNUAL
Decoration Day
SERVICES
GELERT CEMETERY
WILL BE HELD ON
AUGUST 15th, 2010
AT 3:00 PM
Please bring lawn chairs
Thank you

Come and visit
Stanhope Museum

Now Showing:

- The story of cottaging
- Early settlers - *what were they thinking?*
- The Hawk Lake Log Chute video
- What's a rod and chain got to do with anything?
- A slide show of fabulous old photos
- What's a "patriarch"?
- Sing along with The Log Driver's Waltz video
- Get the gossip on the party line
- Check out this year's citron crop in the garden



And YES:

All this - and more, is in that little white building on North Shore Rd.

Who knew?

Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday 11 am - 2 pm
Admission by Donation

Located at 1123 North Shore Rd. n/o Carnarvon

www.stanhopemuseum.on.ca

ATTENTION!
DON'T MISS OUT!
Haliburton County Fair Auction
August 21, 2010 at Minden Fairgrounds
Time: 2:00 pm (prior to championship horse pull)

The following items have been kindly donated and will be up for auction (Items will be delivered within a 30 km. radius or trucking costs will be added)

- Tandem Truckload Of Firewood Logs Donated By Lyle Stamp Logging
- Tri Axle Load Of Limestone Screenings Donated By Steve Beaver Trucking & Excavating
- 12 Yards Of Screened Topsoil Donated By Tom Prentice & Sons Trucking
- 12 Yards Of 5/8 Road Crush Donated By Ingram Wessell & Sons
- 14 Yards Of Beach Sand Donated By Brent Coltman Trucking & Excavating
- 12 Yards Of Screened Topsoil Donated By Blair Sand & Gravel
- 20 Ton Of 5/8 Granite Road Crush Donated By Hawk River Construction/Larry Hewitt
- 12 Yards Of Driveway Topping Donated By Miller Aggregates
- 17 Ton Of 5/8 Granite Clear Stone Donated By Minden Hills Landscaping
- 20 Ton Of Drainage Stone Donated By Leveque Bros.
- Bush Cord Of Split Firewood Donated By Tracy Nesbitt
- Bush Cord Of Split Firewood Donated By Ron Both And Clare Ridsdale/Sideline Forestry

ITEMS MUST BE PAID FOR AT THE TIME OF AUCTION

WINTERGREEN
Wintergreen Pancake Barn...
Blueberry Social
Sat., Aug. 14 & Sun., Aug. 15

Wintergreen creates fresh fruit delights with real whipped cream topped with maple syrup and of course fresh blueberries. Taste our BBQ sauces, Jam, Jellies, Mustards, Fruit Syrups and Homemade Preserves. Join us for fresh baked blueberry pie or take one home frozen and bake it yourself.

Have your cake and experience it too...Crepes, French Toast, Pancakes, Sausages, Maple Baked Beans and Smoothies with fresh blueberries, also featuring Pulled Pork Sandwiches.

Calendar of Events available. Call at any time to purchase retail products...cash or cheque only. Wintergreen Pancake Barn #3325 Gelert Rd in Gelert (286-3202).

COMING SOON...Minden Fringe Performances Aug. 14 and Aug. 21...Dinner at 7, performance at 8 p.m.... reservation only 286-3202.

Also - Peach Social starts August 21st!

Also featuring...Boat Smart Exam Facility...by appt. only... call Paul Morin at 286-4360

Twelve Mile church to celebrate 120 years

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For further information please call Sheila Robb at 489-4201 or visit www.haliburtongarlic.ca.

Our garlic is picked and drying. This year we benefited with a couple more pointers from seasoned growers so next year should be even better. There is absolutely no comparison between home-grown and store bought!

After resting for a while you can head over to the Twelve Mile Lake Church at 7 p.m. for an old fashioned evening of music with the Country Hot Flashes and Cold Shoulders.

This event is taking place to raise funds for re-shingling the roof and giving this historical church a fresh coat of paint.

There has been much discussion regarding the future of this church but the past & present certainly is that Twelve Mile Lake Church is celebrating its 120th year anniversary.

On Aug. 28 you are invited to bring your lawn chair and enjoy the great music, fantastic home baking, exciting raffles and especially the beautiful sunset overlooking Twelve Mile Lake. All funds raised on this evening will go toward not only the refurbishing but it will also help the Friends of Twelve Mile Lake Church to keep this beautiful little church living on out of respect to all the hard work of those families 120 years ago.

I will write more history about this church as the time gets closer but in the meantime have a little visit to feel the history surrounding this property, read some of the data written on the headstones and gaze at this church and feel some nostalgia of the past.

I haven't been to this cemetery but have walked through the one at the Zion United Church and have even recognized some of the names on the headstones.

Twelve Mile Lake Church is located just off Highway 35, south of Carnarvon at the corner of Omagaki and Chambers Roads.

Have a great week!



Lots of fun was had at the annual garden party at Pine Reflections last week. /Photo submitted

HOCKEY SCHOOL IN HALIBURTON

Monday, August 16th

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Coming Events

MUSIC by the GULL

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Every Friday Night

Beside the Minden Post Office

Friday, August 13th

"Serendipity"

Folk Music Group

NEXT FRIDAY

AUGUST 20TH

Bucket of Shrimp Ears

Rock & Popular Song Band

Bring a lawn chair and sit by the Gull River

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community calendar

What's happening in the County

Post your event for free on the web. Go to: www.mindentimes.ca or to the UR Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca

• August 11- Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild meeting at 1 pm at St. Georges Anglican Church. Trunk show by Elizabeth Dillinger. www.elizabeth.dillinger.ca. All welcome.

• August 12: Kinmount Music in the Park Presents. All ages are invited to attend an exciting series of open-air concerts by the river in Kinmount every Thursday evening in August starting at 6:30 pm to dusk. Bring a lawn chair and sit back to enjoy a remarkable range of musical offerings under the open skies by the river. This week's performers are Gord Kidd, Steve Main, Ferron Main & Ian Pay playing your favourite country songs.

• August 12: Word in Action Charity Golf Classic Thursday Aug 12, 2010. Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre, Haliburton, Registration 10:30 a – 12:45 pm. Lunch 11:30 am. Shot Gun start 1:00 pm. Supporting Put the Word in Action Ministries Inc.supporting Tall Oaks Christian Academy. Contact Dennis or Brenda Mckee 705-457-1413.

• August 14: Family Fun Day in Lochlin. Come out for a fun filled day at the Lochlin Community Centre. Games for the whole family, prizes. Country Auction, Ziggy the Clown, Live Music Rain or Shine. BBQ hosted by Lochlin Hall Committee. Pony Rides. 1:00 pm South Algonquin Horse Camp. Bring your lawn chair and relax. Horseshoe Tournament Registration. Begins at 10:00 am. Games begin at 10:30. Everyone's welcome to play.

• August 15: Cruise & Fly in at Stanhope Airport on August 15, 2010 9:00 a.m. To 4 p.m. Contact Brian/ Carol 705-489-1299, email. Kushog.groves@sympatico.ca.

• August 16: Canning Workshop Learn to preserve fresh, local foods. Chef Emerie from Bernardin Ltd. Will demonstrate safe and healthy techniques with tasty tomato, corn and peach recipes. Tues. Aug 24 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at Haliburton United Church. Registration $5. limited number of participants, deadline Aug 16. Contact Sharon Harrison 705-286-1940 or dancingwildflower@sympatico.ca. Sponsored by Haliburton Highlands Local Food Coalition. Thanks to supporters Haliburton County Farmers and Haliburton County Farmers Market.

• August 19: Kinmount Music in the Park Presents – Hot Flashes & Cold Shoulders.

• August 21: 2010 Road Sharks Motorcycle Poker Ride presented by Community Care Haliburton County - Registration and departure from the Halco Plaza, 83 Maple Ave, Haliburton. Ride lasts approximately 3 hours through the scenic Haliburton Highlands. Registration 10 am. Proceeds to benefit services .

• August 26: Kinmount Music in the Park Presents – Vivian Hetherington and Friends.

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Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis.** While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca., or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.ca. or brought in to the office.
Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date.
NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

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Deaths



CASEY, Emily Jean Gould - 1924-2010 Passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family at the Haliburton Hospital on Tuesday, August 3, 2010, in her 87th year. Loving wife for almost 65 years to her "Dearie" and soul mate the late Earle Casey. Wonderful mother to Tim (Lornel), Dennis (Roxanne), Nedean (Dennis) and predeceased by her infant daughter Joanne. Loving and much loved Gramma Jean to Pat (Jennifer), Joanna (Curtis), Jason (Ashley), Pam, Kasey (Dale), Andrea (Dave), Lindsay (Ryan), Danielle (Brad) and special great grandma to Regan, Parker, Reese, Kiera, McKinnon, Hannah, Devonte, Kemauhl, Emily and Olivia. Fondly remembered by her many nieces, nephews and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME Ltd.,** 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden on Friday, August 6, 2010 from 5-8 pm. Then to the Haliburton United Church on Saturday, August 7, 2010 for the Funeral Service at 11:00 am. Interment at the Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. Memorial Donations to Haliburton United Church would be appreciated by the family. Eastern Star Service at the Funeral Home on Friday at 7:00 pm www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com
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Deaths

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Jutta Dombrowsky
(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

Peacefully at the Haliburton Hospital on Friday morning, August 6, 2010 in her 71st year. Beloved wife of the late Jeurgen Dombrowsky. Loving mother of Shirley Brown of Haliburton. Fondly remembered by her granddaughter Mandy Gibbs (Matt) of Claremont. Fondly remembered by her great grandchildren Logan & Layla. Dear sister of Christel & Ingeborg of Germany. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by her daughter Linda.

Visitation & Funeral Service

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(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)

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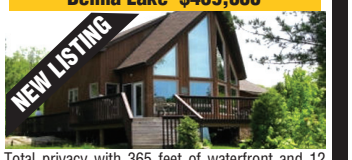
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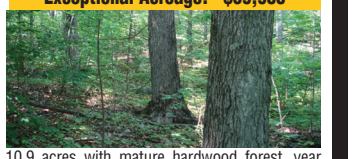
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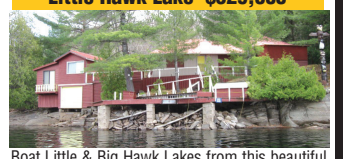
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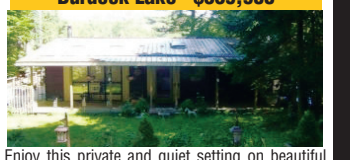
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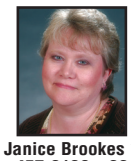


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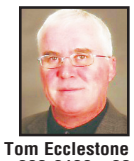
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